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A topical medication for the treatment of skin pathology including acne is comprised of tetracycline, minocycline, clindamycin, erythromycin, or doxycycline and selenium sulfide or sulfur in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier. The lotion, cream or ointment is applied to the lesions, left in place briefly and washed off. This is repeated twice daily. The lesions generally clear up within a week. Because the treatment is local, the serious side effects of systemic administration of drugs is avoided.

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